## MATRON CONTEST.

amicable Strife for the Prizes for Those Having Most Children.

Aeschbach's Interesting Mrs. Gathering of Twelve.

Other Mothers with Ten and Eleven Living Sons and Daughters.

Mrs. Jacob Aeschbach, who lives over her maband's jewelry store at 117 First street, Jobosen, is the mother of twenty-one children. Nine are dead and twelve are living. Mrs. Aeschbach was born in Switzerland, Nov. 7, 1840, and so has not yet reached her forty-ninth birthday. Her maiden name was S. E. W. Habegger and she was a bride at

the age of twenty-one years. Mr. Aeschbach, ber husband, is a dignified looking man of fifty years. He is the oldest jewelier in Hobok n and one of the best known. He was born in Switzerland, Nov. 1, 1839, and so lacks a few months of passing his fiftieth mile stone in the journey of life He was twenty-two years old when he led Miss Habegger to the altar in 1861.

Of their fine twelve children now living the eldest will be twenty-seven in September. and the youngest, Walter Grover Cleveland Aeschbach, will be five in October.

Of the five elder children, one is a watch maker, two are artisans and one is a saleslady. Two are married, the eldest son and the eldest daughter. The seven younger children attend school in Hoboken

The twelve children are as follows : Gottlieb, born Sept. 1, 1862; S. E. Wilhelmine, born Aug. 15, 1863; Hermann, born Jan. 28, 1868; Emil, born Feb. 24, 1870; Ida, born Feb. 29, 1872; Otto, born Sept. 4, 1875; Albert, born Dec. 22, 1877; Clara, born Feb. 4, 1879; Hugo, born April 29, 1880; Jenny, born July 9, 1881; Frederick W., born Aug. 23, 1883, and Walter Grover Cleveland, born Oct. 8,

1884. The two eldest children were born Switzerland. All the others were born in Hoboken, N. J. Mrs. Aeschbach is a well-preserved lady and has by no means lost the beauty which she had as a maiden in Switzerland. She is very proud of her large family. Few mothers of less than forty-nine years may boast of having rocked the cradle for trenty-one children. may boast of having rocked the cradle for twenty-one children.

With Mrs. Aeschbach's letter came the

following: To the Editor of The Evening World:
Beling personally acquainted with Mr.
Jacob Aeschbach's family for twenty-seven
years, I berewith testify that the statement year, I herewith teathy that the statement made by his wife in reference to their children living is in every point correct and the same can be proved by record. JULIUS SCHLATTER, 42 Hudson street. Hoboken, July 30. August Grassman, Mayor of Hoboken.

Bounts of Nine.

Noticing in the columns of your valuable paper that the mother who is blessed with the most children living will be rewarded with a prize, and having quite a family of my own I will send in their names to stand a

chance among the contestants.

Mother's name, Mrs. Mary Jane Murphy; nationality, American; born in Orange County, N. Y., age forty-six. Name before marriage, Mary Jane McCann; date and place of marriage, in 1866, at St. Peter's R. C. church, Barclay street.

Father, Patrick F. Murphy, age fifty-two years, nationality Irish.

years; nationality, Irish.
Names of children living:
Thomas Clement, born in East Twenty-fith street, Nov. 23, 1867.
May Elizabeth, 221 East Fortieth street,

Feb. 28, 1869. Blanche Olivett, 756 Second avenue, Dec Lyman Francis, Park avenue and Fortyfirst street, May 25, 1873.
Alice Sylvia, 432 Hicks street, Brooklyn;

Oct. 8, 1877. Frank Roswell, 425 Hicks street, Brooklyn; Milton James, 138 Warren street, Brooklyn

Jan. 29, 1882. Moses Cleveland, 186 Warren street, Brook-In: Nov. 4. 1884.
Irene May. 290 Halladay street, Jersey City,
N. J.: Oct. 18, 1886.
All the children live at home.
We have not inclosed any note as you re-

We have not inclosed any note as you request as we are not personally aquainted with any one individually, should you call upon any one in the neighborhood where we sow live, or in the neighborhood of Hicks or Warren streets, Brooklyn, you will find that the above statement is correct and earnessly truthful. We are only two years in the neighborhood of Ninth avenue and have not had any call in that time for a doctor, and the neighborhood of which the second course.

and any call in that time for a doctor, and, moreover, are not very devout churchgoers, sorry to say.

In Brooklyn our family physician was Dr.
Baub, of Clinton atreet, Brooklyn, who
would gladly verify to the above should you
insit upon same. Mrs. M. J. Murper
1708 Ninth avenue, July 3.

Another Mother with Seven I beg herewith to present to you the following list of my children.

My name is Annie Lanigan ; born in Ireland : name before marriage Annie Rogers ; age thirty-five; date of marriage, April 27, 1878, at St. Joseph's Church; husband,

Frank Lanigan, age thirty-eight, nationality Irish. Our children are: James Lanigan, born June 8, 1874. Frank, June 18, 1876. Thomas, March 22, 1879. Annie, March 14, 1882. Philip, July 8, 1884. Rose, Sept. 28, 1886. Hugh, Feb. 27, 1889. All residing at 185 Avenue C. New York All residing at 165 Avenue C. New York City. 165 Avenue C, July 30.

A Dozen of Them. I am the mother of twelve children, all living, strong and healthy, five girls and seven

boys. I was born in the city of New York, Nov. 19, 1845. My maiden name is Matitda Lutz: my husband's name is John Baldauf, born on the River Rhine, Germany, May 2, 1840. We were married in the Summer of 1861, by Pastor Gohring, who had at that time a small Protestant church in Summit street, between Columbia and Hicks streets. My children were all born in Brooklyn, as

ollows:
Julia J., April 2, 1862.
Lizzie C., Feb. 25, 1864.
John B., May 5, 1866.
Edward C., Oct. 13, 1868.
Henry Ph., Jan. 26, 1871.
Louisa C., June 22, 1873.
Bernard A., Sept. 14, 1875.
Tillie C., June 26, 1878.
Mamie, Sept. 7, 1880.
Jennie, Feb. 20, 1883.
Emma, July 9, 1885. Emma, July 9, 1885.

Grover, Aug. 12, 1888.

Three are married and the rest are come; they are living in Brooklys.

Mrs. Matilda Baldaur. Mrs. MATILDA BALDAUF.
41 Carroll street. Brooklyn, July 29.
I herewith certify that I am personally acquainted with the Baldauf family, of 41 Carroll street. Brooklyn, and the statement made by Mrs. Baldauf, that she is the mother of twelve healthy, living children, is correct GOTTHARD HISSEMANN, M. D., 259 Columbia street, South Brooklyn.

Eight Bays and Four Girls.

I was born in Germany in 1848. My husband was also born in Germany in 1842. My maiden name was Marie Ott, My husband's name is John Miller. We were married in 1864 by Pastor Perkman, then residing in Rivington street, between Orchard and Allen, New York City. We have twelve living children. They were born to us as follows: Charlotte, born July 5, 1864. Maria, March 5, 1866.

Charles, April 5, 1868, Philip C., Feb. 14, 1872, Rudolph, Dec. 6, 1873, John, Feb. 4, 1876. Fredericka, Sept. 21, 1878. George, Jan. 21, 1881. William, Dec. 11, 1882. Albert Jacob, Feb. 21, 1885.

Albert Jacob, Feb. 21, 1885.

Henry, Jan. 11, 1887.

Lily, March 21, 1889.

These eight boys and four girls I am trying to bring up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, by his grace helping me. All these children have the same father and mother; they are all single, and at home; are all good children so far. Maria Miller.

547 Fourth avenue, Brooklyn, July 29.

1 am well acquainted with Mr. and Mrs. Miller, the latter being a member of the church of which I am pastor, and cheerfully testify to the truthfulness of the above statement.

Gronoe Earns,

Pastor of the Free Methodist Church, Six-tennth street, near Fourth avenue, Brook-lyn.

Nine Young McLaughlins.

I was born in Ireland Aug. 10, 1842. Maiden name Alice Cavanagh. I married James Mc-Laughlin, also born in Ireland, at St. Charles Church, Sidney place, Brooklyn, Feb. 22, 1865. We have nine living children—six boys and three girls—as follows: James Edward McLaughlin, born Jan. 29,

867.

John Sebastian McLaughlin, Oct. 9, 1869.
Mary Alice McLaughlin, March 31, 1872.
Robert Henry McLaughlin, Dec. 27, 1874.
Joseph Louis McLaughlin, Dec. 23, 1876.
William Francis McLaughlin, Oct. 6, 1878.
Margaret May McLaughlin, Oct. 9, 1879.
Jane Cecilia McLaughlin, Jan. 29, 1881
Eugene Cleveland McLaughlin, Oct. 12, 1883.

James McLaughlin, the father, is fifty-two years old, and all reside at 335 Twenty-first street, South Brooklyn.

Mrs. ALICE McLaughlin.

Mrs. ALICE MCLAUGHLIN.
Brooklyn, July 29.
I hereby certify that the statement given
by Mrs. McLaughlin as to the number of her
children is correct. Rev. J. C. McEolain.
250 Twenty-first street, Brooklyn, July 29.

Eleven Little Seiferts. I was born in Brooklyn. My maiden name was Margaret Kopp. I am forty-nine years of age and was married at 101 Delancey street. May 20, 1860. My husband is Joseph Siefert,

nitv-three years of age.

My children living now are:

Magdelenn Siefert, born Feb. 20, 1861, lives at 495 North First street.

Sophia, Sept. 8, 1862 lives at 59 North First street.
Mary, Dec. 29. 1864, lives at 235 Kent avenue.

Joseph, Jan. 7, 1867, lives at 67 North First street.

Margaret. born Feb. 28, 1869, lives at 256
Wythe avenue.
Carolina, Jan. 21, 1871, lives at 67 North
First street.
Josephine. March 19, 1875, lives at 67 North First street.
Charles. March 21 1877, lives at 67 North First street.
Auna, March 21, 1879, lives at 67 North
First street.
George, Feb. 9, 1881, lives at 67 North
First street.
Jacob, Nov. 29, 1883, lives at 67 North First

Mrs. JOSEPH SIEFERT, 67 North First street Brooklyn, July 27.
I hereby certify that the above statement is

NEWS AND GOSSIP OF THE SUMMER THE-ATRICAL WORLD.

Dancan B. Harrison Obliged to Have His Injured Leg Amputated-Oct. 14, a Great Night for Theatre Lovers in This City-Miss Mande White's Irish Brogue Tested and Found Satisfactory.

Barry and Fay, the Irish comedians, are getting together an excellent company. They are to open their season in Saratoga Sept. 2, playing there one week before coming to the Park Theatre in this city. Barry and Fay have great hopes for their New York engagement. Indeed, several little dickey birds have whispered that they are really expecting to take the place of Harrigan and Hart. Barry and Fay are certainly clever comedians; are also untiring in their efforts. They are booked to remain at the Park Theatre from September until March. They will produce a play called 'Little Lord McElroy." in which Barry will appear as the little lord, and Fay as the guardian. When travelling, Barry and Fay are always accompanied by their wives, and actors are not at all fond of stars' wives, who, generally speaking, rule the roast with a great deal of vivacity.

Edward Michael sailed for Europe yesterday on the City of Berlin. As soon as he ar-rives in London his star, J. W. Pigott, will leave for New York to put on "The Bookmaker" for Nat Goodwin.

Henry Pettit will probably come to Amer-ica to witness the first production of "Hands Across the Sea."

John Germon, with his wife and child, are negotiating for the parts of Minna, the grocer and the little lord in the Australian production of "Little Lord Fauntleroy." Child Germon was the original juvenile in "The Silver King" at Wallack's. Her father was assistant stage manager for the road productions going from that house for a number of years. John Germon is the brother of Effie Germon.

Harry Hamlin, of the Chicago Opera-House, marry Hamin, or the Chicago Obera-House, is in New York engaging a company for "The Spider's Web," which he is to send out on the road during the coming season. Mr. Hamin is negotiating with a popular feminine star for the leading role.

Manager Price, of Richard Mansfield's company, is having great trouble in selecting a Prince of Wales for his star's coming pro-duction of "Richard III." In London the duction of 'Richard III." In London the part was played by Joseph Hatton's daughter, a girl of about eighteen years of age, and who, Mr. Price thinks, will be heard from one of these days. "Richard III." will be rehearsed for four weeks in this city at the Star Theatre in September, and will then get two weeks' rehearsal with the scenery in Reston. The production will open in Reston. Boston. The production will open in Boston O.t. 21, and in this city at Palmer's

Mrs. George S. Knight is to open her sea-son Sept. 2, and is to play a "triple bill." a la Rosina Vokes. She has engaged Owen West-ford. Snsie Russell. Edward Warren, Jenny Knight and little Tommy Yore.

Miss Maude White, who plays the leading feminine part with J. K. Emmet during the coming season, went to Dion Boucicault the other day to have her brogue tested. Miss White has to speek with a rich Hibernian accent, and is, of course, suchous to be as Irish as possible. The veterau Dion went through her part with her, and gave it as his opinion that no better brogue could possibly be desired.

The week of Aug. 19 will be rather an im The week of Aug. 19 will be rather an important opening week here. Among other attractions the Bijou will open with Herrmann's Transatlantic Vandeville Company, the Fifth Avenue with Adelaide Moore in "The Love Story," the Lyceum with E. H. Sothern and the Windsor with "The Hoop of Gold."

"The Beautiful Slave," is to be put on a the Chestnut Street Opera-House, Philadel-phia, Sept. 2, under the management of C. R. Gardiner. The Chestnut street house is not at all inappropriate to the piece, which, it is said, is merely "Uncle Tom's Cabin" with new names. Topsy becomes Topsilena. The scenery used in the big "Uncle Tom" Beautiful Slave." fiasco last season will be seen with

The Jefferson-Florence combination open at the Star Theatre in this city Oct. 14. The Booth-Modjeska company will be seen at the Broadway Theatre that same night.

The insurance company with which Mr. Duncan B. Harrison is insured has just received notice that the young actor has closed his season in the West, and is returning east to have his leg amputated. Mr. Harrison has been starring in "The Paymaster," and injured himself some time ago by jumping from the tower in the scene where he escapes from the prison. He continued to act, however, and positively declined to succumb to his injury. In San Francisco he appeared upon the stage on crutches. Now it appears that amputation has been found necessary. Harrison has not been on the stage very long. rison has not been on the stage very long work in 'The Paymaster' was vigorous and pleasing.

Suggested Improvement. "How do you like my suit?" said he.
The maid, confessing,
Admitted that she thought 'twould be Improved by pressing.

Billausness, Dizziness, Nausea, Etc.,

## ECHOES FROM THE STAGE. LABOR'S VIEW OF I

Differing Opinions on the German Reichstag's Bill.

A Tremendous Advance for Socialism. Some Say.

Others Call It a Petty Insurance on the Instalment Plan.

The German Reichstag has passed a messure by which all the work people in Germany, above the age of sixteen years, men and women, will be insured by the State against illness, accident, incapacitation and old age. It will make State insurance compulsory to 11,000,000 people. One-third of the cost is borne by the workmen, one-third by the employers, and one-third by the State.

An elaborate account of the measure was printed in THE EVENING WORLD of July 22. A reporter of The Evening World called to-day on some well-known labor men to obtain their views on the subject.

Mr. William T. Croasdale was found in his pleasant office in Clinton place, where in a quiet way he is organizing a part of the millennium and conducting the enrolment of the Single-Tax party. Mr. Croasdale is an able and eloquent writer on economic subjects, and belongs to what might be called the romantic school of political economists.

Mr. Croasdale when asked what he thought of the measure of State insurance for workmen which has been passed by the German Reichstag, said:

"It is State Socialism. It is the recognition by the German Government of a principle which the German Socialists have been advocating for years. It is a tremendous advance in the path of Socialism, and it must astonish the Socialists themselves. Singularly enough this Socialistic measure was favored and passed by the opponents of Socialism, and opposed by the Socialists themselves. Ger-many is having Socialism in spite of the

Socialists.

"I suppose the Socialists opposed the measure because it was brought forward by Bismarek. If Bismarek had opposed it the Socialists would probably have fought for it.

"I am opposed to it. Why? Because it is of no benefit to the people. They got nothing What they pay they pay out of their own pockets. What the employer pays he pays out of the profits made on their labor. What the Government pays it pays out of the taxes drawn from the people. The employer may take from the workmen what he pays by reducing their wages. It is a bad and injurious system. The wages of the workmen is taken from them and they get it back in the form system. The wages of the workmen is taken from them and they get it back in the form of charity.

It is providing for the future by compulthis providing for the future by compul-sion. It is petty insurance on the instalment plan. It ought to be so that workmen could save enough out of their wages to provide for the future without any need of the inter-ference of the State. The remedy for the German workmen is not State insurance. It is this: Remove the cause of their poverty. is this: Remove the cause of their poverty. Give them the land. Then they will need no

State insurance."

Mr. Robert Blussert is a well-known labor Mr. Robert Blussert is a well-known labor leader. He was a young soldier in the British army at the siege of Lucknow, but after the war he laid aside the sword for the shears. Mr. Blissert laid down his yard-stick with which he measures coats and said:

"I am in favor of the system of State insurance for workmen which Germany is going to apply. It is pure Socialism and it

ing to apply. It is pure Socialism, and it shows the marvellous strides which Social ism is making. You have a Government which has always held Socialism down with the bayonet about to make the first bractical experiment in State Socialism. I think the measure is humane and wise and will be of great benefit to the people of Germany. I do not suppose that the German Government has any philanthropic motives in adopting this plan of State insurance. It wants to offer the people something to stop the wholesale emigration of the German people from their native land, because it wants

to save them for its army as food for cannot

remarkable a degree were started by the English Socialists. Thomas Hughes, Canon Kingsley, Robert Ower and the Rev. Mr. Maurice were Socialists. When I was a boy of nine years working in a coal-pit in England the Chartists were looked upon with England the Chartists were looked upon with more disfavor than the Socialists are now looked upon here. My father was turned out of church because he was a Chartist. Now nearly all that the Chartists asked for has been obtained by the English people, and twenty-eight British workmen have seats in the House of Commons. Many ideas of the Socialists find favor in England."

Mr. George Murray, a member of Typographical Union No. 6, said he thought that State insurance of the workmen in Germany would be a great benefit to the poor of that country, and do much to ameliorate their

country, and do much to aneliorate their condition. There ought to be something to narrow the gulf between the luxury of the few and the hard lot of the many.

Mr. Edward Thimme, an earnest worker on the labor side, said :

"The measure was passed to conciliate the Socialists. There are so many parties in Germany that Bismarck has to make concessions now to one and now to another, in order to carry on Government at all. to carry on Government at all. The law was passed not to help the people but to save the The measure was favored by the nobil-

ity and opposed by the manufacturers. it was also opposed by the Socialists because it

offered so little benefit to the people. The Socialists wanted not a sandwich, but a losf. The chief benefit of the law is its acknowledgment of the principle that the State has a right to interfere to help its own people. The law is a great advance in legis-

KIDNAPPED HIS BROTHER. THE OUTCOME OF ARTHUR KAY'S VISIT TO HIS FATHER.

This entry appeared on the returns of the Detective Office this morning:
Arthur W. Kay, fourteen years old, arrested for kid-napping by Detective Mulvey. The arrest was made on a despatch from the Sheriff of Greene County yesterday.

It simply advised the detective office that the lad, Arthur W. Kay, was coming down on a West Shore train with a stolen child, three on a west shore train with a stoich child, three or four years old. They were intercepted on the boat crossing the ferry to New York.

The sileged kidnapper is a well-dressed and well-manuered boy. The child be is charged with having stolen is his own four-year-old brother. All that is known or made known at Headquarters is that he carried him off from a Nummer resort in the Catskills, and that the abduction was promptly discovered and pursuit begun.

duction was promptly discovered and pursuit begin.

Later the children were songht and found at Headquarters by their mother, a sprightly young woman, who told their simple story.

A year ago she separated from her husband, who lives in Norwich, Chenango County, and has since lived in Brooklyn with her boy Arthur, supporting herself.

Recently the boy went up to see his father, and coming back took his little brother along. He did this, so his mother claimed, at the instigation of his father's neighbors, who wanted to see the child with its mother. Arthur is a manly, determined little fellow, and the baby is a sweet, carly-headed tot, evidently contented to be with his mother.

Mrs. Kay claims that she telegraphed to her husband that no abduction was intended. She will make a light for the freedom of her boy, Arthur, rather than for the baby. She will not again live with her husband, she says. He has failed to support her properly.

NADJY AT OCEAN SPRAY HER JAPANESE SILK BATHING SUIT IS

BOSTON, Aug. 1.—The sleepy little settlement bordering on the white sands of Winthrep Beach, known as Ocean Spray, has at last a real sensation,

THE SENSATION OF THE HOUR.

It arrived the other day and has thrown the cottagers into a state of indescribable excite-The young men of the place are more directly

affected than the young ladies, although the sensibilities of the latter have received a shock that will require all the Winter months to sub-The cause of this extraordinary emotion is

little bundle of salmon-colored Japanese sill which constitutes Marie Jansen's bathing cos

which constitutes Marie Jansen's bathing costume.

Marie has become quite a natatorial expert during her sojourn at Ocean Spray, and enjoys her morning bath as keenly as the small boy who steals away from school for a swim.

She plunges fearleash into the surf, rolls over on her back and does the floating act, looking for all the world like a small bunch of sunset clouds floating on the waters.

After plunging and floating and swimming to her heart's content, she darts out of the water and flies up the sands like a tinted nymph, in her clinging Japanese silk, in search of the long cloak in which she drapes herself before returning to the cottage.

THE ATHLETIC WAR ENDED.

The N. Four A's to Disband and Their Clubs to Enter the A. A. U. At last the difficulties heretofore existing be tween the Amsteur Athletic Union and the National Association of Amateur Athletes have

been satisfactorily adjusted. Committees from both organizations met las evening and agreed upon terms of an amicable acttlement.

This settlement, in a nutshell, is the disbanding of the N. four A. and the clubs which comprise its membership are to be received into the

A. A. U.

The N. four A Committee at first wanted the word "National" to be prefixed to the name "Amateur Athletic Union." As the Club's name cannot be changed until the annual meeting of the Union, this change was not made.

STEVENSON TOWLE'S SMART MOVE. Consulting Engineer of New Pavements at

\$5,000 a Year New. and powder.

"The world is getting more Socialistic all the time. In England, the co-operative stores which have been so successful in so many man on the Park Board and secure the control of its patronage by Tammany Hall next year is now made apparent.

As Park Commissioner Mr. Towle served with-As Park Commissioner Mr. Towle served with-out pay.

As Consulting Engineer in Charge of New Payements, to which position he has been ap-pointed by Commissioner of Public Works Gil-roy, he will receive a salary of \$5,000 annually for at least three years.

CHARLIE STECKLER'S VACATION. He Will Spend a Month at Saratoga and the Kayadereseras Club.

Charles Steckler, the Tammany Hall leader of the Tenth Assembly District, leaves to-day for a well-carned vacation of a month, which he will spend at his Saratoga cottage. He went entirely to escape the turmoil of poli-

tics, for he will meet John J. Scannell, Edward kearney and a host of other Tammanyites at the kayadorosoras Club. His brother. Corporation Attorney Louis Steckler will follow him later in the week, and will also enjoy a months' outing. Stirring Up City Ordinance Violators.

The first monthly report of the new Corporation Attorney. Louis Steckler, shows that he has collected over \$000 in penalties for viola-tion of city ordinances. This is a remarkably good showing, being an increase of \$400 over the collections by Corporation Attorney Boyd in the month of June.

AT THE ALTAR OF LAUGHTER NOW TO SUPPLANT O'BRIEN.

TRIBUTES PAID HERE BY THE DISCIPLES OF MOMUS. FIGHT IN THE EIGHTH.

Making Allowances.



Dashaway - For heaven's sake, Thomas Jefferson, where on earth did you get those Thomas Jefferson-Des yere, sah, am my watah melon clo's.

A Royal Wit.

[From Time.] " How are the crops doing?" said the Cyar to a favorite at Court.

" Pretty fairly. Your Highness," was the reply, "although in some quarters the people are complaining of too much reign." "Let them take twenty years in Siberia to dry up," answered His Majesty, who is quick

[From Time.]
First Actress—Do look at this advertise ment. There is a horse show in the theatre we played in last. we played in last.

Second Actress—That's a surprise, indeed,
I should hardly suppose the dressing-rooms
were clean enough to suit the tastes of the

Good Sinkers.

(From the Epoch.)
Husband -- Nora, what are these? Wife-Dumpling.

performers.

Husband-Dumplings, dumplings, eh Well, just put them on a plate for me, and keep them till to-morrow morning. I'm going bass fishing, and I'll use them for sinkers.

Marriage a Failure.

(From Fine.) Charley-What's the matter, Algy? You look like a thundercloud! Has anybody been cheating you lately?
Algy\_I should say they had. You know married my tailor's daughter last week—and all the beastly fellow gave us was my bill, receipted in full.

She Gave Herself Away.

Mrs. Wabash-Did you read about the Stimson scandal in the Bugle this morning? Mrs. Lakefront-No: I never read such things. But Mr. Lakefront told me about it Mrs. Wabash Some of it was pretty bad wasn't it?
Mrs. Lakefron!—Yes, indeed; especially that at the bottom of the third column on

the first page. Her Uniont Suspicions.

Wife (suspiciously)-Cyrus, my nose neve leceives me. You've been drinking again. Husband (rather thickly)-It's on my clothes, Emily. The car was crowded, and I had to occupy a seat with an internal revenue

Dead to the Worldman, . [From Puck.]

"Great Casar! Is it possible that that's Tom Denby who has just passed us? Why, he used to be one of the best dressed and most fastidious men in town ! "Ah, yes; but he's been living in New Jersey for the last two years.

四月 第 GREAT GIRDING UP OF LOINS FOR THE

Golden Rule Hall Secured by the fills. Stockings for the Reorganization and

Re-envolment Act-Custom-House Post-tions Promised to Anti-O'Brienites Who At last the Committee appointed by Chairman S. V. R. Cruger to undertake the reorganization of the Republicans in John J.

O'Brien's rotten borough, the Eighth Assem-

bly District, has decided on the time when a

re-enrolment will be attempted. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week they will hold forth at Golden Rule Hall, in Rivington street, between Norfolk and Easex streets, and will attempt to find among the applicants for enrolment enough "pure" politicians to form an organization which will sufficient Police Justice Jacob Paterson and ex-Coroner John R. Nugent.

The same test of qualification will be applied to the pure sufficient of the pure suffic

plied as in the case of the Fifth District, where every applicant had to declare that he had voted for the entire Republican ticket at the last election to render himself eligible for enrolment.

Barney Rourke thinks that the Committee

will not maist on this in the case of "pure" Republicans, the test of "purity" being op-position to O'Brien and his friends. Mr. Rourke also asserts that tris Committee of reformers will be unable to find more than 200 of that sort of Republicans in the entire Eighth District, while O'Brien will come to the polls, as usual, with 5,000 voters at his

The woes of the Committee in its search for anti-O'Brien men in the district and a hall at which to hold their enrolment have

hall at which to hold their enrolment have been amusing.

Not a proprietor of a hall would rent it for their use, and Justice Patierson's man, Henry C. Botty, the Chairman of the Committee, had to invoke the aid of the beligerent Jacob, who, in turn, by a sharp letter and a little working of the police wires, brought the proprietor of Golden Rule Hall to his knees, and the reformers were not quite driven to the necessity of reforming the district from the outside.

trict from the outside.

One of O'Brien's stanchest supporters said to-day that although the Committee have been at work for three weeks they have made

been at work for three weeks they have made but one proselyte. Sam Roberts, a Customs Inspector, who secured his place through O'Brien's influence.

Barney Rourke says that the Committee is promising all sorts of Federal positions to voters who will desert O'Brien, but they have faith in Johnny's ability to get them as good situations and they will stick to him.

Lively times are expected during the days of enrolment.

The re-enrolment of the Republicans of the Pifth District, will probably be concluded at 123 West Houston street to-night, and the outlook for the retirement of the old leader, Frank J. Carroll is most promising to the opposition.

Why He Was Sad.

Rev. Primrose-You are the strangest little boy I ever saw. While other children of your age are light-hearted and thoughtless,

you are always sad.

Little Johnuie—That's 'cause the other fellers ain't got a cross-eyed mother who can see when you make faces behind her back-

AMONG ERRORS RUINOUS TO HEALTH. One of the most mischievous and most common is the

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CHAPTER I. Broadway on a morning early in February, 750. Young Peter Rickett, an actor in the theatre on Nassau street, where he nightly appeared in "The Beau in the Sudds. started out for a walk. Even among the brilliantly plumaged throng passing up and down before Trinity Church on that crisp February morning he was a conspicuous fgure, for Peter was a fop, and a great many people considered him a fool because of his fancy for gay clothes. But they were wrong,

as you will see. He wore a cinnamon-colored cloth coat quite the knees, with moth-eaten beaver four or ive inches deep upon it; red breeches, dovecolored hose, a red satin waistcoat which had once played a conspicuous part in "The Recruiting Officer," low buckled shoes, a lat of brown felt wimmed with a silver band, the rows felt wimmed with a silver cand, the periwing tied with a taded, yellow ribbon, the poised a cane lightly in one hand, the ther was throat in his breeches pocket, and a had eractly 2s. 8d. in his purse.

Peter was of a romantic, volatile disposi-

on. He loved the mysterious, the adven-irous. In the quiet of his little room on earl street he had written a dozen unpub-bled romances, most of them founded on spt. Kidd's adventures, and he scribbled

yet was purely ideal. Humming a line from the "Beggar's Opera," he minced along, twirling his cane after the manner of the men about town, and watched the scene about him

with a lively interest.

The middle of the street was covered with The middle of the street was covered with hard, glittering snow, and Dutch market-women flew over it on skates, baskets poised on their heads or strapped to their backs. He caught frequent glimpses of sedate, puckered and powdered besuties in sedan chairs. Wealthy matrons brushed by him in green and gold brocade, hoop petticoats, powdered hair, and cheeks touched with French red and pearl powder. Negroes direct from Abvssinia or Madagascar, some with the insigna branded upon cheeks and brows which told they were princes in their own land, followed these rustling dames, carrying their shawls and packages. Besides these there was a beand packages. Desides these there was a be-wildering, cosmopolitan mixture of country-men in homespun; Indian servants, the 'ris-oners of war; solid, soberly attired Dutch

shoes, a liver band, iver band, in characteristic costume.

As Peter passed the new cemetery a young man approached, dressed in a queer scallop hat and long cloak, folded closely about him, and followed by a tall Hindoo servant in native dress. Peter stood still as his eyes fell upon him. It was the stranger who had so fascinated him at the play-house every night for the past fortnight. Who was he, this strangely attired, dark-eyed man, wearing no scribbled who as a wig and with close-cut hair as white as the

untrodden snow on the graves near by? He | Pray let me assist you to walk, and together was undoubtedly young, despite his white hair and the unalterable sadness of his gaze, which was nevertheless eager as he looked which was nevertheless eager as he looked searchingly into the face of every man who passed.
... I warrant me this man is of no common

"I warrant me this man is of no common stamp," mused Peter, his imagination aglow.

"His garb is strange and there seems to be a history in his face. I would I knew him. I could not sleep last night for thinking of him. It may be he is a Jesuit in hiding," and he turned upon his heel and followed the pair, who by this time had passed him.

As they neared John street there was a sudden server that a nearest he crowd. Wound As they neared John street there was a sudden commotion among the crowd. Women shricked, a few fainted, and a rush was made for the bouses. Not far ahead a strange animal with foaming jaws and glistening teeth could be seen and behind it a shouting crowd. It was only a wildcat chased by a score of men and boys carrying spikes, muskets and bricks. It was nothing strange in those days for an occasional hungry bear or wildcat to leave the forests on the numer part wildcat to leave the forests on the upper part of the island—that is, beyond the gates at Warren street—and make its appearance in the city, lean and ravenous for food. In the excitement Peter lost sight of the

interesting stranger. He espied the Hindoo in the same plight, looking wildly about him and violently pushing his way among the excited people, so violently indeed that he toppled headiong aga not an apoplectic English grandee, who, before stepping into his chariot, was taking a pinch of snuff to quiet his nerves. Without a second's delay the grandee angrily turned and laid the Hindoo

Fray let me assist you to walk, and together we will search for your master."

"You know him? You know my master?" he asked enriously in excellent English.

"By sight only. Ah, winder he stands." and Peter uncovered his head, not because it was at all necessary to do so, but because he could not help it when the stranger's deep, kind eves rested on him. Never had he seen a man who so fascinated him. What was his subtle charm? And his voice as he thanked subtle charm? And his voice as he thanked him for assisting his servant, in whatway was it so different from any other voice he had ever heard? It stirred his heart, he felt his cheek flush, and when the stranger, with a smile which lit up his tace like a burst of sunlight, held out his hand to him he could

sunlight, held out his hand to him he could scarcely refrain from kissing it.

"Are not you a player?" asked the stranger. "Have I not seen you these many nights at the play house in Nassau street?"

"I am only a player, sir," said Peter modestly. "Truly, you must be fond of the play to come so continually."

"Not so, indeed," said the other with an impatient sigh. "It may appear strenge when I say I do not like the play, and I think it an ignoble occupation for a man to make fools laugh at so much a week. Each to his taste."

taste."
"I am sorry," said Peter, and indeed he was, "that we may not sak strangers behind the scenes, but so it is, or you might like to see how curiously dull is the seamy side of a player's life. But may we not meet again ! e asked, impulsively. Peter's subdued earnestness was more than

flattering, and he was a handsome, sunnysyed lad in spite of his dandyism. After a
moment's thought the stranger took his
hand.

'Let it be so," young lad. To-morrow
then at 5 o'clock at the 'King's Arms.' 'he anick. and,
"Thank you, sir, And a very good morning
to you." said Peter, with his best stage bow,
he retraced his steps very well pleased with
himself and with the world in general.

"Success attends me." he thought. "Now it he turn out a hero? He is a proper an, indeed, and with no common history libe bound."

That night the stranger was again at the lay-house, and the pext evening at the appropriate. The perfect of the pext evening at the appropriate to the pext evening at the pext evening at the pext evening at the pext evening at the appropriate to the pext evening at the pext will he turn out a hero? He is a proper man, indeed, and with no common history I'll be bound."

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I'll the stranger was again at the play-house, and the next evening at the appropriated time Peter walked up the street lead play because the play-house, and the next evening at the appropriate of the play-house, and the next evening at the appropriate of the play-house, and the next evening at the appropriate of the play-house, and the next evening at the appropriate of the play-house, and the next evening at the play-house, and the next evening at the appropriate of the play-house and the next evening at the play-house, and the next evening at the appropriate of the play-house and the next evening at the play-house and the next even the ne

Hey, nonny no!
Men are fools that wish to die:
Is't not fine to dance and sing
When the bells of death do ring?
Is't not fine to swim in wine
And turn upon the toe.
And sing hey, nonny no.
When the wind blow and the seas flow?
Hey, nouny no!

Passing slowly between the scattered groups Peter noticed his new friend looking

what matters that? asked the stranger, and then continued with a new earnestness. Feter drew back, a chit in his bid in the first something in your personality appeals to me powerfully. You are so glad, so young, so like what I once was, and your smile awakens memories of the fire upon him." he whispered, crouching behind Wayling so that only the top of his turban could be seen.

(To be continued to-morrow.)